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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, it is requested that the following reference, which is also listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, be made of record in the above-identified case.

1. Japanese Patent Application Publication No. 7-253963 published October 3, 1995 together with an English language abstract.

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The above listed reference was cited in a Japanese Official Action dated December 16, 2008, a copy of which is enclosed. Applicant is submitting a copy of the above-cited reference required by 37 C.F.R. 1.98 (a)(2)(i) and (ii). The relevance of the above-cited reference is cited in the Official Action.

The undersigned attorney hereby states that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

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